

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. **(currently amended)** A server system that provides a web site for accepting a request for reading a file issued from a terminal of a user via a network to read out said requested file, and for transferring the file to said terminal of the user, comprising:

identification information accepting means for prompting a user to enter his/her identification information and for accepting the entered user identification information when the user requests access to said web site;

identification information storage means for storing therein the accepted user identification information for a predetermined time period; and

classification means for classifying the user specified based on the accepted identification information into any one of predetermined plural groups in accordance with a counting result obtained by counting a number of the identification information stored in the identification information storage means, which is agreed with the identification information of the user accepted by the identification information accepting means.

2. **(original)** A server system as claimed in claim 1, wherein;
said plurality of groups are composed of first group and a second group; and
the classification means classifies the user specified by the accepted identification information into the first group in the case that the number of the identification information agreed with the accepted identification is larger than, or equal to a predetermined reference value and classifies the user specified by the accepted identification information into the second group

in the case that the number of the identification information agreed with the accepted identification information is smaller than the predetermined reference value.

3. (original) A server system as claimed in claim 2, wherein:

said server system is further comprised of:

log information recording means for recording thereon information related to the request for reading the file issued from the terminal of the user, which is accepted by said server system; and

said log information recording means records thereinto the terminal of the user who is classified into the second group as a subject of the log information to be recorded.

4. (original) A server system as claimed in claim 2, wherein:

said server system is further comprised of:

point applying means for applying an incentive point to the user, from whose terminal when accepted a request for reading a predetermined file issued; and

said point applying means makes the user classified into the second group to be a point-applicable subject.

5. (currently amended) A program product capable of causing a server system that provides a web site for accepting a request for reading a file issued from a terminal of a user via a network to read out said requested file, and for transferring the file to said terminal of the user, to execute the following processes:

an identification information accepting process for prompting a user to enter his/her identification information and for accepting the entered user identification information when the user requests access to said web site;

an identification information storage process for storing therein the accepted user identification information for a predetermined time period; and

a classification process for classifying the user specified based on the accepted identification information into any one of predetermined plural groups in accordance with a counting result obtained by counting a number of the identification information stored in the identification information storage means, which is agreed with the identification information of the user accepted by the identification information accepting means.

6. (original) A program product as claimed in claim 5 wherein:

said plurality of groups are composed of a first group and a second group; and

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the classification means classifies the user specified by the accepted identification information into the first group in the case that the number of the identification information agreed with the accepted identification information is larger than, or equal to a predetermined reference value and classifies the user specified by the accepted identification information into the second group in the case that the number of the identification information agreed with the accepted identification information is smaller than the predetermined reference value.

7. (original) A program product as claimed in claim 6 wherein:

said program product further causes the server system to execute:

a log information recording operation for recording thereon information related to the request for reading the file issued from the terminal of the user, which is accepted by said server system; and

said log information recording means records therein the terminal of the use that is classified into the second group as a subject of the log information to be recorded.

8. (original) A program product as claimed in claim 6 wherein:

said program product further causes the server system to execute:

A1 a point applying operation for applying an incentive point to the user, from whose terminal when accepted a request for reading a predetermined file issued; and

said point applying means makes the user classified into the second group to be a point-applicable subject.
